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For: A PROTECTIVE SLEEVE FOR A DISC-SHAPED RECORDING MEDIUM, SUCH AS

A COMPACT DISC, A HOLDER FOR A SLEEVE AND AN ASSEMBLY OF A

HOLDER AND A SLEEVE

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